

SENATE BILL 2165

By Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4 and Title 53, relative to sale of muratic acid or acetone.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 53, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

53-1-1___. (a) Any retailer who sells to any person muratic acid or acetone valued at fifty dollars (\$50.00) or more shall require such person to show proper identification and to sign a register.

(b) The register described in subsection (a) shall be created by any retailer that sells muratic acid or acetone and shall require at least the following information:

- (1) The specific quantity of muratic acid and acetone purchased;
- (2) The signature of the purchaser;
- (3) The name and residential or mailing address of the purchaser, other than a post office box number;
- (4) The number of the purchaser's motor vehicle operator's license or other proper identification at the time of the purchase;

- (5) A description of how the substance is to be used;
- (6) The date of such purchase; and
- (7) The signature of the retailer as witness to the purchase and identification of the purchaser.

(c) The retailer shall retain each original register for three (3) years in a readily presentable and readable manner, and present the register upon demand by any law enforcement officer or authorized representative of the district attorney general's office.

(d) As used in this section, "proper identification" means a valid motor vehicle operator's license or other official and valid state-issued identification of the purchaser that contains a photograph of the purchaser.

(e) A violation of this section by a retailer is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by fine only.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-433, is amended by adding the language "muratic acid or acetone, or" before the language "anhydrous ammonia" wherever it appears.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, for the purpose of creating the register form as described in Section 1. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2000, the public welfare requiring it.